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JERDONE FAMILY.

From the Family Bible at "Stirling," Charles City county, Va.

"This Bible belongs to Francis Jerdone,[1] of Louisa county in Virginia, who was born in Jedburgh in the Shire of Tiviotdale in North Britain, the 30th of January, 1720-'21. Sarah Macon, his wife, was born in New Kent county in Virginia, the 21st of February, 1731-'32.

They were married on the 10th of February, 1753 (new style). Their issue was as follows:

Mary Jerdone was born in New Kent the 17th of January, 1754. Died 20th of April, 1837.

Francis Jerdone was born in Louisa county the 9th of February, 1756, and died ½ after 1 o'clock A. M. the 29th of April, 1841.

Sarah Jerdone was born in Louisa county the 12th of September, 1757; died 1 April, 1793, at Bristol, N. B.

Elizabeth Jerdone was born in Louisa county the 7th of April, 1759; died at York 3d of February, 1830. [She married Alexander MaCaulay, of Yorktown.]

Isabella Jerdone was born in Louisa county the 30th of September, 1761; died 8th of April, 1825.

Anne Jerdone was born in Louisa county the 3rd of April, 1763; died 2d of October, 1794.

John Jerdone was born in Louisa county the 19th of September, 1764; died 15th of January, 1786, at Jed'g, N. B.

Martha Jerdone was born in Louisa county the 10th of June, 1767, and died September 12, 1767.

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[1] Francis Jerdone's will was proved in Louisa county, Sept. 9, 1771. Names sons Francis, John, William. John to have plantation in Spotsylvania, and Francis and John 1000 £. apiece. Names nephew William Douglas. To sons John and William he gives "all his estates in the lands in New Kent county, iron works, grist mill, and everything purchased by him and held in partnership with Mr. William Holt." But William Holt and William Douglas to have "the particular management of my New Kent county property, and to account unto my wife for the profits thereof;" James Kerr to take care of his Albemarle property.

Saran Jerdone's will was dated March 20, 1813. It names son Francis and five daughters: Mary, widow of George Pottie, deceased, and now widow of Adam Toler, deceased; Elizabeth, now widow of Alexander MaCaulay, deceased; Isabella, wife of Thomas Mitchell; Sarah, now deceased, who was wife of George Braikenridge, supposed to be resident with his children in England; and Anne, now deceased, wife of Charles Thompson. Grandson George Pottie, Elizabeth and Sarah, daughters of daughter Mary Toler, grandson John Thompson.

William Jerdone was born in Louisa county the 26th of March, 1769, and died December 2, 1772.

Francis Jerdone, Senior, Departed this Life at two o'clock of the morning August 5th, 1771. Sarah Jerdone, relict of Francis Jerdone, departed this life at 1 o'clock 23d of October, 1818.

Francis Jerdone was married to Polly Byars, his wife, 20th June, 1799, who was born in the county of Louisa 2d of December, 1781.

Polly Byars died 12th of March, 1821, between the hours of 4 & 5 o'clock in the afternoon. Their issue was as follows:

John Jerdone was born in Louisa county 11th of October, 1800.

Francis Jerdone was born in Louisa county 6th of Decembet, 1802.

William Jerdone was born in Louisa county 4th of March, 1805.

Sarah Jerdone was borne in Louisa county 10th of February, 1807. Died February 15, 1863.

James Jerdone was born in Louisa county 19th of February, 1812. Died 23d of July, 1827.

William Jerdone was married to Maria A. G. Coleman, Nov. 22, 1832, who was born in the county of Spottsylvania the 20th day of December, 1812. Their issue was as follows:

Maria C. Jerdone, born in the county of Louisa November 27th 1833.

Maria A. G. Jerdone, died 25th December, 1833.

William Jerdone was married to Anne Burfitt (old name Burford) his wife, 1st December, 1847. Their issue as followeth:

William M. Jerdone, born Nov. 8, 1848.

Ellen Jerdone.

Earnest Jerdone."

Inscription

From a tombstone for John Jerdone, who died on 15 January 1786 at Jedburgh, being in the county of Tiviotdale, N. B.

Here lies interred the Body of John Jerdone who was born 19th Sept. 1764 in the Province of Virginia in North America and died 15th January 1786. He was a son of Francis Jerdone who lately died in the same Province and grandson of John Jerdone formerly a magistrate of this Borough."

There is at "Stirling" an old gun, brought to Virginia by the emigrant Jerdone, some fine old pewter pitchers, old English books, and some elegant silver, bearing for arms a mullet of six points, with the motto, "*Cave adsum.*"